

House Resolution 146

By: Representatives Lane of the 158th, Burns of the 157th, Parrish of the 156th, Carter of the 159th, Stephens of the 164th, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating portions of State Route 26 (U.S. 80) in Bulloch County in honor of the memory
2 of Dr. Charles Emory Bohler; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, news of the passing of Dr. Charles Emory Bohler, late of Bulloch County, is
4 received with deep regret by this body; and

5 WHEREAS, the life led by this distinguished gentleman of 81 years rendered his name dear
6 to the hearts of his family and many friends alike; and

7 WHEREAS, Dr. Bohler attended Register Elementary School and graduated from Register
8 High School as valedictorian. He attended North Georgia College in Dahlonega,
9 Birmingham Southern, and the University of Georgia and was a graduate of Georgia
10 Southern College in 1950 and the Medical College of Georgia in 1954. Dr. Bohler began his
11 family medical practice on July 1, 1955 in Brooklet; and

12 WHEREAS, he was a veteran of the United States Army Air Corps 20th Bomber Group,
13 serving during WW II in the Pacific Theatre. He received a Purple Heart and Air Medal as
14 a gunner on the B29 Bomber. Dr. Bohler was a member of the Brooklet United Methodist
15 Church, a past chairman of the Administrative Board of the church and a member of the Jack
16 Lee Sunday School Class. He was a past president of the Brooklet Kiwanis Club and a
17 member of the American Legion Post 90 and the Bulloch County Chamber of Commerce.
18 He served as team physician for Southeast Bulloch High School and was elected to the SEB
19 Athletic Hall of Fame. He was a member of the Sigma Chi Fraternity, Theta Kappa Psi
20 Fraternity, Forest Heights Country Club, the Chatham Club, Amelia Island Plantation Club,
21 1906 Society, and the Georgia Southern University Athletic Boosters Club and was on the
22 Georgia Southern Foundation Board of Directors; and

23 WHEREAS, Dr. Bohler was the recipient of the Deen Day Smith Service to Mankind Award
24 in 1991 and the Deen Day Smith Lifetime Achievement Award in 1993. He had been on the

1 medical staff of Bulloch Memorial Hospital since 1955 and was the first physician on the
2 Bulloch Memorial Hospital Authority, a past president of the Ogeechee River Medical
3 Society, past president of the Medical Association of Georgia, chairman of the Georgia
4 Delegation to the American Medical Association, and a member of the Southern Medical
5 Association as well as many other organizations. In 1979 Dr. Bohler was honored with a
6 "Doctors Day" by the City of Brooklet for 25 years of community service. He was
7 recognized as "Citizen of the Year" in 1997 by the Statesboro Rotary Club. He was
8 respected and loved by all who knew him; and

9 WHEREAS, while in life he commanded the esteem of his fellow citizens, in his death we
10 mingle our sympathies with the grief of his family and friends, and it is fitting and proper that
11 he be honored by this state in the community in which he lived.

12 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
13 GEORGIA that this state expresses regret at the passing of Dr. Charles Emory Bohler and
14 honors his memory by designating State Route 26 (U.S. 80) from the eastern city limits of
15 Brooklet to the eastern city limits of Statesboro as the Dr. Charles Emory Bohler Highway,
16 and the Department of Transportation is authorized and directed to erect and maintain signs
17 so designating the highway.

18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
19 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Dr. Charles
20 Emory Bohler and the Department of Transportation.